Notice of Decision

TO: Wade Crowfoot

Secretary of the California Natural Resources Agency

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FROM: California Regional Water Quality Control Board

Los Angeles Region

320 West Fourth Street, Suite 200

Los Angeles, CA 90013

SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Decision in compliance with section 21080.5 of the

Public Resources Code

PROJECT TITLE: Amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Los Angeles

Region to incorporate a Total Maximum Daily Load for Indicator Bacteria

in Los Cerritos Channel and Estuary, Alamitos Bay, and Colorado

Lagoon, and to Suspend the Recreational Uses in Los Cerritos Channel

during Unsafe Wet Weather Conditions

LOCATION: Los Angeles Region (coastal watersheds of Los Angeles and

Ventura Counties)

DESCRIPTION: On March 10, 2022, the Los Angeles Water Board adopted an

amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Los Angeles Region (Basin Plan) to incorporate a total maximum daily load for indicator bacteria in Los Cerritos Channel and Estuary, Alamitos Bay, and Colorado Lagoon, and to suspend the recreational uses in Los Cerritos Channel during unsafe wet weather conditions (Resolution No. R22-002). The Basin Plan amendment was subsequently approved by the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) on December 6.

2022 (SWRCB Resolution No. 2022-0053), and the Office of

Administrative Law on September 19, 2023 (OAL File No. 2023-0804-03

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The Los Angeles Water Board has made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:

- 1. The project may have a significant effect on the environment depending upon the manner of compliance selected by responsible parties.
- 2. Substitute environmental documents (SED) were prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The substitute documents include the Basin Plan Amendment, the Staff Report, the Substitute Environmental Document, and the Responses to Comments.
- 3. Mitigation measures were analyzed in compliance with Public Resources Code section 21159.
- 4. A statement of overriding considerations was adopted for this project.
- 5. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

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The final environmental document, with comments and responses and record of project approval, is available to the general public at the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region's office, 320 West Fourth Street, Suite 200, Los Angeles, California 90013 or via Los Angeles Water Board website:

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This is to advise that the State Water Board has m project described above:	ade the following determination regarding the
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for Susana Arredondo Executive Officer Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board	<u>11/6/2023</u> Date
Date received for filing:	